



Purpose of report

- Provide basic information on bike lanes
- · Highlight major issues related to bike lanes
- Establish sources for standards
- Indicate need for an implementation program
- Identify possible future corridors for bike lane implementation





Bike Lane Subcommittee

- 8 member subcommittee
 - Elaine Hammer, Multi-Modal Task Force
 - Eric Miller, Multi-Modal Task Force
 - Jason Albers, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee
 - Rick Dockhorn, Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee
 - Randy Hoskins, Public Works Department
 - Mike Brienzo, Public Works Department
 - Terry Genrich, Parks & Recreation Department
 - David Cary, Planning Department
- 3 meetings
 - March 2, March 16, March 30



BICYCLE LANES

What are bike lanes?

 A portion of a roadway which has been designated by striping, signing, and pavement markings for the preferential or exclusive use of bicyclists.

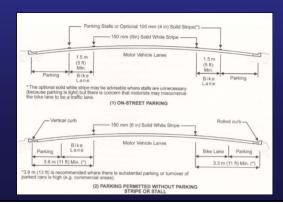
Why bike lanes?

- Can fill the gaps in the local bicycle system
- SIGMA survey, Task Force preferences, GPTN survey, and Consultant suggestions give support and interest
- Support and encourage bicycling as a means of transportation



Standards

AASHTO "Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities"

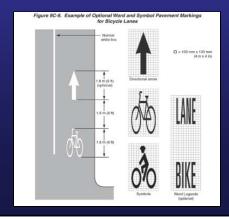




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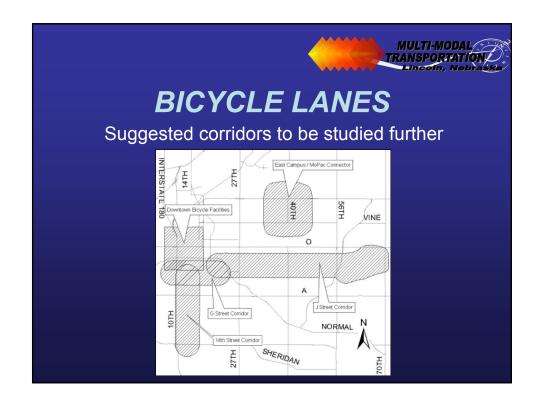
• Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices (MUTCD)





Implementation Program

- Primary Factors
 - Route continuity and connectivity
 - Redundancy in trail facilities
 - Curb-lane width
 - Traffic volume in the curb-lane
 - Traffic speed
- Secondary Factors
 - Driveways, truck traffic, parking, right-of-way, bicycle volumes, pavement condition, sight distance, bus routes, drainage grates, turning movements, street grade, length of proposed route, neighborhood support





Next Steps

- Include concept in Multi-Modal report
- Include topic in Downtown Master Plan process
- Develop a formal implementation program
- Identify funding sources
- Begin studying suggested bike lane routes







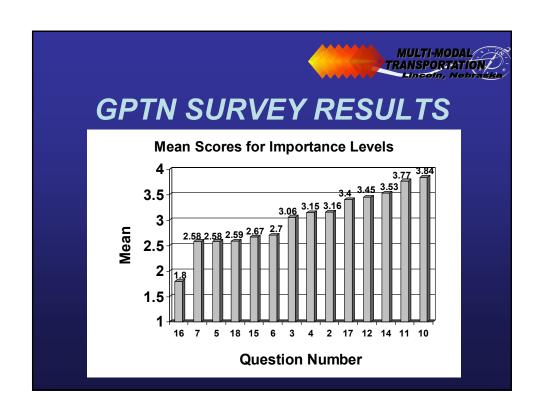
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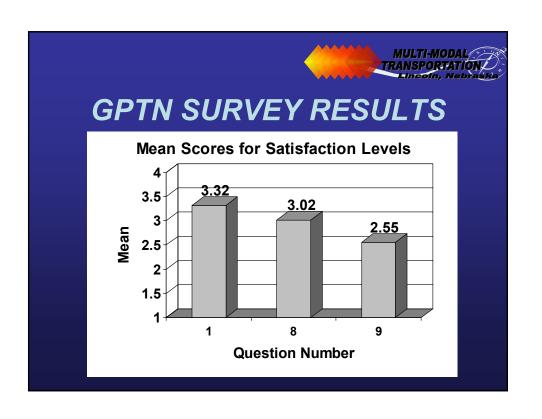


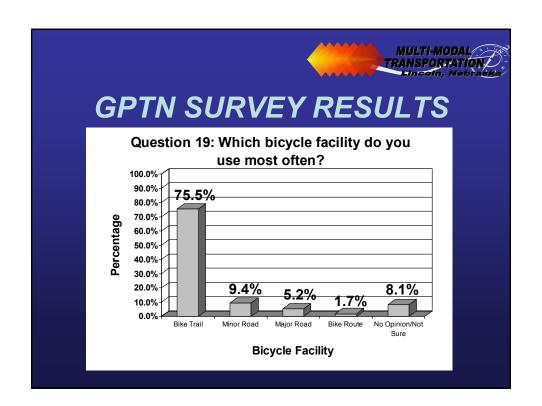
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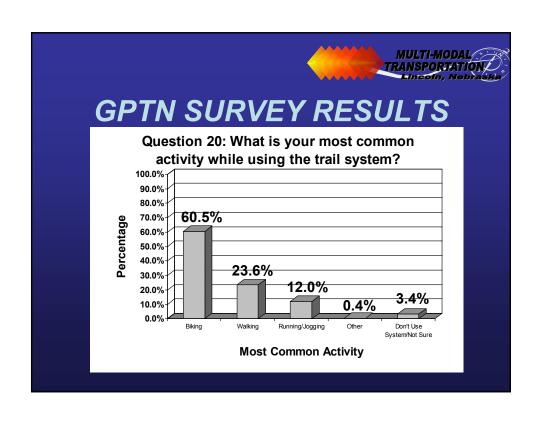
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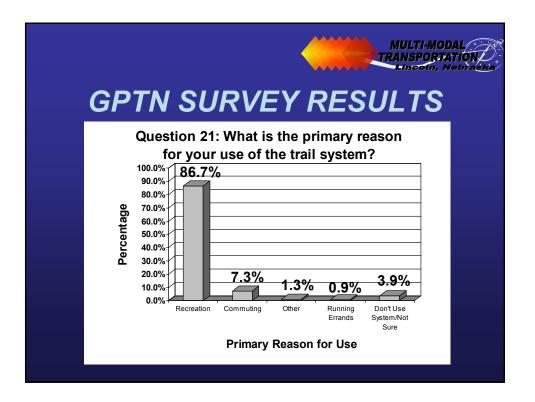
- · Sent to members of GPTN in newsletter
- · 931 sent out, 233 completed and returned
- 25% response rate
- 21 questions
 - Questions asking level of importance of certain concepts
 - Questions asking level of satisfaction with bicycle system
 - Specific questions asking about use of system by respondents
- Question 13: 10.26 foot ideal bike trail width













GPTN SURVEY RESULTS

Cross Tabulations

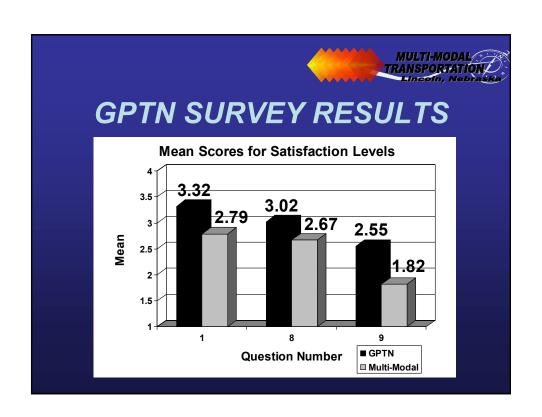
- Question 20 Bikers v. Walkers and Joggers
 - Walkers and Joggers more adamant about importance of concepts
 - Walkers and Joggers also less satisfied
 - Walkers and Joggers want wider trails
- Question 21 Recreational User v. Commuters
 - Commuters feel right-of-way for bike lanes and providing bike lockers are more important
 - Recreational users feel trails need to be wider than do commuters
 - Commuters less satisfied with bicycle system

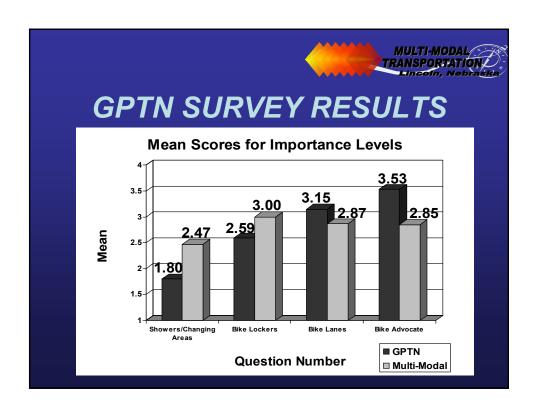


GPTN SURVEY RESULTS

Multi-Modal Task Force Results

- Wider ideal trail width 11.33 feet compared to 10.26 for GPTN respondents
- Much less satisfied with bicycle system and signing of trails and bike routes
- Less supportive of ideas for bike lanes and bike advocate
- More supportive of idea of biker showers and changing areas and bike lockers











COORDINATION OF SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

What are special transportation services?

- The use of public or private buses, vans, or taxis for transportation services for citizens that are in need of services most often due to a disability or medical condition that limits their mobility
- Idea of coordination of services studied and supported by many reports and efforts
- Coordination can provide significant cost savings



History of special transportation services in Lincoln/Lancaster County

- Provided since 1972 by City of Lincoln before required by federal legislation
- Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990
 - Requires fixed-route transit providers to offer comparable paratransit service to individuals with disabilities who are unable to use fixed-route service. Service acts as a safety net.
 - Requires vehicles in fixed-route service to be handicap accessible
 - StarTran in compliance by January 26, 1993.



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StarTran Programs

- HandiVan Program
 - Monday through Friday, 5:15 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. and Saturdays from 5:15 a.m. to 7:10 p.m.
 - Goes beyond requirements of ADA with evening weekday service
 - \$2 fare with \$60 monthly pass available. Costs \$35 per trip.
 - Service required within ¾ mile of regular fixed bus routes service. StarTran goes beyond requirements of ADA with service coverage to entire incorporated area.
 - Users must be registered and found to be ADA eligible.



StarTran Programs (continued)

- Brokerage Program
 - Service provided through local taxi company
 - Allows for more service accommodation during peak loading hours of HandiVan program
 - Same fare structure as HandiVan Program
 - Available during same service hours as HandiVan program
 - Costs approximately \$12 per trip
- Accessible Regular Transit Service
 - All 56 StarTran fixed-route buses are accessible with wheelchair lifts, 20 with "low-floor" technology



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Other Special Transportation Services

- Approximately 40 other private and semiprivate providers of special transportation
- Not required to provide service according to ADA requirements as StarTran does because not fixed-route service providers
- Fares approximately \$10 \$15 per trip
- Mostly serve client base
- Adds to the basic safety-net provided by StarTran services
- No coordination of programs



Need for Coordination of Services

- Multiple past reports and efforts indicate need for coordination of special transportation services
 - 1990 Carter Goble Associates report
 - 2002 Community Services Implementation Plan
- Coordination will decrease duplication of programs and operating costs
 - Up to 25% cost savings with full coordination of services
- Suggest implementation of a coordination program over a multi-year period



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Current Coordination Program Effort

- Lead agency is League of Human Dignity
 - Mike Schafer is lead contact person
- Suggesting an initial pilot program with 4-6 current special transportation providers
 - 3-year program with total cost of \$275,000
 - Includes hiring of a temporary full-time transportation coordinator position
 - Evaluation of cost savings each year
 - Planned expansion of program with record of savings as selling point
- Multiple applications for grant funding requests

